## **EB-5 VISA TARGETED EMPLOYMENT AREA (TEA) DESIGNATION REQUEST**

Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development

Part 1: Requester			
Name:			
Address:			
City:			
State:			
Zip Code:			
Phone:			
Email:			
Company:			
Title:			
Website:			
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Part 2: Entity	Intormati	on	
If the business is currently operating, provide the legal name as registered with the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development.			
Legal Name:			
If you intend to qualify by rural criteria, provide the Maryland county identification.			
County Identification:			
If you intend to qualify by unemployment criteria, provide the Maryland county identification and Census tract codes:			
County Identi	ification:		
Census Tract(	(s):		

Part 3: Project Information			
Industry/type of	fiobs:		
Project Descript			
Regional Center			
Part 4: EB-5 Vis	a Applicant/Potential Benefactor Information		
Nationality:			
If the Applicant/Pot	ential Benefactor is different than the Requester, complete the following:		
Name:			
Address:			
City:			
State:			
Zip Code:			
Phone:			
Email:			

The Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED), in accordance with federal guidelines, has been designated by the Governor of Maryland to review and confirm TEA requests.

To qualify as a TEA, a location must be within a rural area or have an unemployment rate that equals or exceeds 150% of the corresponding national unemployment rate. DBED can provide a spreadsheet showing where most of these areas are located in Maryland. Rural area is defined as an area not within a metropolitan statistical area as defined by the Office of Management and Budget.

The following websites can provide additional information about the federal EB-5 Visa program and Census tracts in Maryland:

http://www.uscis.gov/eb-5 (USCIS)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/EB-5\_visa (Wikipedia)

http://factfinder.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml (US Census American Fact Finder) http://www.mdp.state.md.us/msdc/census/cen2010/maps/CT10/NoRoad/ct\_maps.shtml (MD State Data Center)

Completed Confirmation Requests should be emailed to Ms. Linda Reibert at

<u>linda.reibert@maryland.gov</u> or any other representative of DBED's Office of International Investment and Trade. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Ms. Reibert at (410) 767- 0685.

Please allow 30 days for the completed designation letter to be completed.